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FOR AMBASSADOR HODGSON FROM SECRETARY OF COMMERCE
RICHARDSON

1. I TRUST YOU HAVE SEEN A COPY OF MY MESSAGE TO
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AMBASSADOR SNEIDER IN SEOUL REGARDING MY PARTICIPATION IN

THE SEVENTH MINISTERIAL MEETING WITH KOREAN MINISTER CHANG. FOLLOWING THE MINISTERIAL MY SCHEDULE ALLOWS ME THE OPPORTUNITY FOR A BRIEF VISIT TO JAPAN FROM THE AFTERNOON OF MAY 25 TO THE MORNING OF MAY 28. I HOPE THIS TIME PERIOD IS NOT INCONVENIENT FOR YOU SINCE I WOULD HIGHLY VALUE DISCUSSING WITH YOU AND YOUR STAFF, AS WELL AS WITH APPROPRIATE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, THOSE TOPICS MOST SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECTING THE INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL INTERESTS OF BOTH JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES.

2. I HAVE NOT AS YET DECIDED ON A SPECIFIC ITINERARY FOR THE JAPAN PORTION OF MY TRIP AND WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SUGGESTIONS AS TO HOW I MIGHT MOST PROFITABLY SPEND MY TIME THERE AND ON THOSE TOPICS I SHOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS.

I WOULD BE QUITE INTERESTED IN MEETING WITH MY COUNTERPART, MINISTER KOMOTO, FOREIGN MINISTER MIYAZAWA, AND IF POSSIBLE, WITH PRIME MINISTER MIKI IF YOU THINK IT APPROPRIATE. ALSO, I AM PLANNING TO OFFICIATE AT A FUNCTION OCCURRING IN THE U.S. TRADE CENTER; OTHERWISE MY SCHEDULE IS FREE.

3. ANNE HOPES TO COMPLETE HER BUSINESS IN LONDON IN TIME TO JOIN ME IN TOKYO. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AND MARIA AGAIN IN MAY. KISSINGER

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